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Bulimia, anorexia common

BY CHARBONNE LA BELLE

People with eating disorders can bleed to death from too much strain being placed on the veins in the back of their neck. Or they could just have every tooth pulled because of irreversible damage to their enamel.

More than one million Americans suffer from anorexia nervosa each year and one of every five women between the ages of 18 and 30 are affected by bulimia, according to the College of American Pathologists.

Anorexia is a disorder in which sufferers starve themselves to death because of an intense fear of becoming overweight.

Bulimia is characterized by consuming massive amounts of food at one time, or binge-eating, followed by self-induced vomiting to prevent weight gain.

Linda Weldon, a registered nurse certified in psychiatry, said signs of eating disorders are evident during group interactions.

"The biggest sign in college-age is people who do not eat when a group goes out, for say pizza," she said. "This one person will take a piece and cut it up in tiny pieces, and that's all she'll eat. And then she goes back to the dorm and orders a whole pizza."

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'This is not good'

◆ Many feel race relations are not improving at Western.

BY DARRYN SIMMONS

A crowd of unhappy students and faculty held a protest outside the office of the College Heights Herald on April 26 last year.

The people were there to voice their displeasure over a cartoon run in the Herald. The cartoon was one in the year-long "Painted Fences" comic strip series by cartoonist Stacy Curtis.

It featured the comic strip's main character, a bear, speaking against affirmative action.

The strip contained several



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Chad Stevens/Herald

A student smokes marijuana in his apartment Sunday night. Campus police have made 34 drug-related arrests since July 1, 1995.

Student drug arrests increase

BY JENNIFER WRIGHT

He wakes up every morning to a joint. He said it keeps his stress factor under control. "It gets me through the day," a student drug user said. "I think everybody should do it ... I use a lot of pot. I don't see it hurting me."

The student said he usually uses drugs at a friend's house or at a social function.

"I try to avoid doing it around campus because I'm getting ready to graduate, and I don't want to have that to worry about," he said.

However, an increasing number of students are having to face the consequences of using drugs at Western.

The number of drug arrests went down by one from 26 in 1993-94 to 25 in 1994-95, according to campus police.

But there have been 34 drug arrests on campus already this school year, Media Relations Officer Audrey Spies said.

And for every drug-related arrest made, 10 more go unnoticed, she said.

"We are losing the war on drugs, but we're still battling," Spies said.

Dorm searches and drug programs are ways campus police are trying to control the rising drug offenses on the Hill.

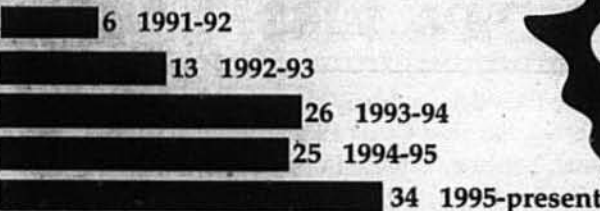
Although the numbers are increasing, Spies said Western has been fortunate that the violence typically associated with drug use isn't rising with it.

"Any time drugs are involved on a college campus it is a problem," she said. "However, I don't think drugs on campus have reached a major problem yet."

Campus police Chief Horace Johnson said there isn't a drug problem at Western.

Busted

With 34 drug arrests this school year, campus police think drug use may be on the rise. The following graph compares the last five years.



"The drug situation here at Western is tremendously better than it was in the late '70s," he said. "We don't have a lot of drug calls ... and arrests, so we're in pretty good shape."

Spies said most of the drug arrests on campus are possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

"We do occasionally see a case involving harder drugs, but not very often," she said.

Another student drug user said he tries LSD, mushrooms and marijuana because he's curious.

"It has nothing to do with peer pressure," he said. "I did it, and I liked it, so I tried it again. I want to try it all."

This student said drug use is becoming more frequent in the dorms.

"Campus police know drugs are a problem on campus," he said. "But if they came out and said it, it would give Western a bad

reputation."

Spies said there have been more arrests because students are more aware.

"Students are smelling marijuana in the dorms and calling their hall directors about it," she said.

South Hall Director Kimberly Mosby said students call when they know of drug use on their floors.

"The drug programs put on in the halls are showing students that drugs are a problem for society as a whole," she said.

Mayfield sophomore Rhiannon Burch said university rules about drugs on campus are too lenient.

"Everybody knows what the rules are, but so very few people actually realize how much trouble they can get into," she said.

According to Hilltoppers, a policy manual put out by Residence Life, "illegal use, possession, or distribution of drugs or controlled substances may be cause for dismissal from the residence hall, as well as other disciplinary and police action."

"We are losing the war on drugs, but we're still battling."

— Audrey Spies
campus police officer

Black History

Activities have already begun for Black History Month.

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Parking

Student, university officials say spots are not scarce at Western.

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Hilltoppers

Chris Robinson returns to lead Tops to 91-64 win.

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♦ Just a second

Alcohol repeal has last gasp

City commissioners will hear the second reading of the alcohol beverage control ordinance tonight.

The new ordinance would repeal Bowling Green's current one that says restaurants may sell alcoholic beverages on Sunday.

Commissioners will make the final vote after discussion starts at 7 p.m.

At the Jan. 16 reading, the commissioners voted 4-1 against the repeal. Mayor Eldon Renaud was the only member who voted for the repeal.

Commissioners Robbie Bond, Joe Denning and Johnny Oldham said they plan to vote against the repeal again.

Bond said the issue has been going on for a long time and people in the community have had every opportunity to change the commissioners' minds and haven't.

Bond said he would be surprised if the commissioners discussed the issue much at all.

Master key to dorm stolen

Someone has the key to every room in McCormack Hall.

McCormack Hall Director Christie Bing reported a master set of keys stolen on Jan. 31.

Steve Brooks, a Facilities Management student worker, said the keys open every door in the dorm.

All the locks were changed Friday, he said.

The new locks cost \$500, Media Relations Officer Audrey Spies said.

The incident is still under investigation, she said.

♦ Campus line

Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority sponsors a lecture on "Herstory: A Celebration of the African-American Woman" at 7:30 tonight in Downing University Center, Room 226. For more information, contact Nikki Payne at 745-2994.

The philosophy and religion and physics and astronomy departments sponsor lectures by Dr. George Gale at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow in Garrett Auditorium and at 5:30 p.m. tomorrow in Cherry Hall, philosophy department conference room, third floor. For more information, contact Cassandra Pinnick at 745-3136.

Western's Men's Volleyball Club meets at 8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays in the Preston Health and Activities Center. For more information, contact Carston Shanklin at 745-6060.

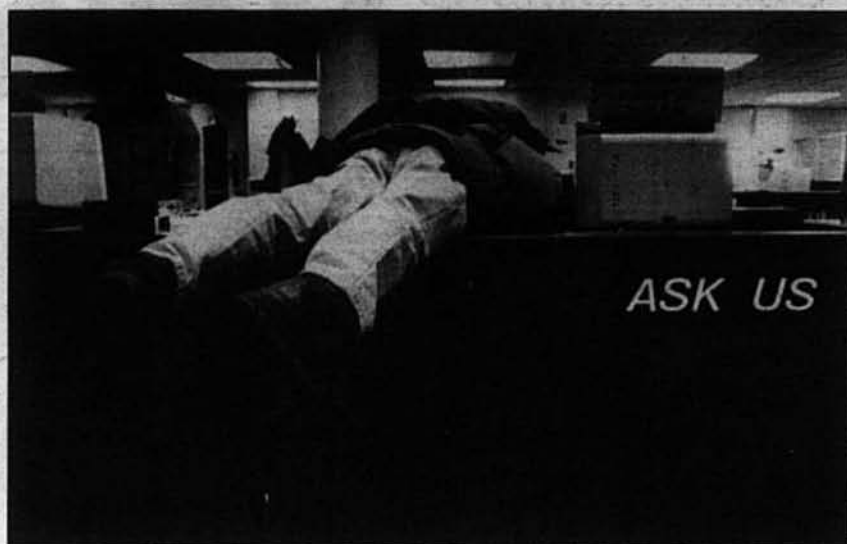


photo by Barry Gutierrez

Bookend:

Looking at his library record on a computer terminal, Tommy Gregory, a sophomore from Lafayette, Tenn., sprawls across the circulation desk at Helm-Cravens library yesterday as Princeton sophomore Richard Burris looks on. Gregory said he was searching for a book that was on hold.

♦ For the record/crime reports

Reports

♦ Angela Clem, Pearce-Ford Tower, reported Jan. 30 that unknown persons made random stab marks on her door.

♦ Jeremy Wilson, Keen Hall, reported a gold necklace, valued at \$200, stolen Thursday from his room.

♦ Samantha Oldham, McCormack Hall, reported

Thursday that a comforter, valued at \$100, was stolen from the McCormack laundry room.

♦ Carol Crowe, Stonebridge Lane, reported her wallet, valued at \$110, stolen Thursday from her office in Cherry Hall.

♦ A PFT resident reported Friday that she had been receiving obscene phone calls over a period of time.

Arrests

♦ Mark Gregory, West Circle, was arrested Saturday and charged with driving under the influence, disregarding a traffic device, operating on a revoked license and possession of prescription drugs not in a proper container. He was released yesterday from the Warren County Regional Jail on a court order.



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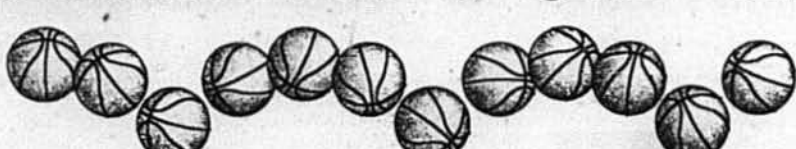
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Community college may get money for renovation

BY JASON HALL

Western may soon have the money it needs to move the Community College to Nashville Road, but it will be at least a year before construction starts.

Gov. Paul Patton appropriated \$4 million in his proposed budget for Western to renovate the Institute for Economic Development to house the college, a move prompted by President Thomas Meredith's "Moving to a New Level" plan.

The budget still has to be approved by the legislature, and the money still must be approved by the Capital Construction Committee, which oversees projects like this, before Western can begin construction, said Jackie Addington, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs.

Meredith said the money will cover all anticipated costs of renovating the complex.

All projects are subject to review before they are funded, Addington said, but the university is trying to speed up the process.

"We have already put together a preliminary sketch of what we would like," she said.

Meredith said the legislative approval will probably come by March, but because the money must go through state channels, it will be a while before Western will see the benefits of the appropriation.

"This is our dream ... but we would hope to be in there by fall of '97," he said.

Meredith had originally estimated \$2 million for the project, but Addington said the governor's appropriation will allow the college to do more.

"The original amount that he estimated was for the very minimal needs," Addington said. "Hopefully it will allow for the anticipated needs for the community college rather than providing space for immediate needs."

Community College Director Jerry Boles said the appropriation will be enough to finish the work.

"I think it would do a very good job of getting it set up," he said. "It would give us a place where we would have some classrooms that are ours."

Addington said the move will improve the college.

"We simply don't have enough programs for students, particularly in the health field," she said. "The university is being responsive to program needs for the community college."

By giving the college its own space, it will be able to be more responsive to students' needs, Boles said.

That means more classes on Friday evening, Saturday morning and even Sunday afternoon, he said.

"It would give us a place where we would have some classrooms that are ours."

**—Jerry Boles
Community College director**

Budget increase a 'major letdown'

BY MELISSA GAGLIARDI

The \$1.55 million Western will receive in Gov. Paul Patton's proposed budget will be just enough to keep up with inflation, said Cecile Garmon, assistant vice president for Finance and Administration.

The 3.2 percent increase in state funding, pending approval of the budget by the state legislature, will be used to pay for general expenditures but won't be enough to fund any additional projects.

President Thomas Meredith said the increase is a "major letdown."

"We had hoped to get a 7 percent increase," he said.

Garmon said Western will use the increase in the university's general pool which covers fixed

costs such as utilities and salaries.

"We always have increased costs," she said.

The Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education's proposal for a 7 percent increase was endorsed across the state. But after reviewing the budget, Patton said it was out of balance and the money wouldn't be available, Meredith said.

"He wants to give us more money and we understand that," Meredith said.

State institutions like Western, the University of Louisville and Eastern Kentucky University will get the 3.2 percent. Community colleges can expect a 9.5 percent increase.

The increase will cover rising insurance costs and help fund Meredith's "Moving to a New

Level" plan, but "very little else," he said.

"Certainly it will impact the amount of money available for salary increases," Meredith said. "We will be able to provide, but not as we would have liked."

Government Department Head John Parker said Patton's proposal is considered a "no-growth budget," which should cover growing prices but no additional projects.

Although they were pleased to receive more money, Parker said the university presidents weren't too enthused about the statewide increase.

"They thought it could be worse," he said. "Everybody always wants more money. ... As is typically the case, there's a little money thrown here, a little money thrown there."

Needed projects get \$3 million from state

BY REBECCA LENZ

If Gov. Paul Patton gets his way, Western will receive \$3 million to make repairs around campus, said James Ramsey, vice president for Finance and Administration.

Patton's proposed budget for 1996-97 includes \$12 million to be distributed among certain colleges and universities that need repairs, he said.

Western's chunk will be used to replace the fume hoods in the upper level chemistry labs in Thompson Complex and expand the high voltage underground distributing system.

It will cost about \$2.3 mil-

lion for the fume hoods and \$876,000 for the distributing system, Ramsey said.

Fume hoods are ventilation systems in labs that filter out toxic vapors created during experiments, chemistry Associate Professor Larry Byrd said.

The hoods are specially designed and have to meet the standards of the Environmental Protection Agency, he said.

The chemistry department needs new hoods because the old ones are rusting, Byrd said.

"If we don't get them then we may have to close the labs one of these days," he said.

The underground high voltage distributing system is the campus's source of electricity, Ramsey said.

The power failures earlier in the year were caused because the system has reached its capacity, he said.

Western will be able to expand the system's electrical power with the extra money.

The budget will not be final until sometime in March, said Cecile Garmon, assistant vice president for Finance and Administration.

"I think there will be changes between now and then," she said.

"There usually is."

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Opinion

Put some teeth in faculty ethics code

The proposed code of ethics for faculty needs some bite. It's lame. There's nothing in it but some common sense wording that faculty should be adhering to already.

No joke that teachers "shall encourage the pursuit of student learning." After all, that's what they're here for.

And any professor who is making "false and malicious statements about"

or embarrassing students should have the tables turned on them so that they see what it's like to be humiliated.

Sexual harassment and the fact that it's a bad thing is also part of the code, but the professors at Western weren't born yesterday. The university already has a sexual harassment policy.

The Faculty Senate will have a question-and-answer session Thursday to discuss the ethics statement. It will be up to the senate to draft the document.

Faculty should attend the meeting and have a say in what the senate uses to sculpt the code.

When professors consider these points they should already be aware of the importance of following them.

But if faculty don't know and they disobey one of the points, no disciplinary measures have been set to get

those people back in line.

Committee member Larry Snyder says addressing disciplinary actions wasn't the purpose of the senate subcommittee that decided the 13 points to be included in the statement.

But it seems like the subcommittee should have been thinking up punishments based on the severity of the infractions as they were creating the ethics code. The two should go hand-in-hand.

According to Faculty Regent Ray Mendel, a student with a complaint about a professor should discuss it with that person, then if they're not satisfied they can proceed up the chain of command until they reach the vice president, president or even the Board of Regents. Anyone along that line can make a decision. Mendel said the punishment would vary depending upon the nature of the complaint.

This process could be incorporated in the ethics code.

But the senate needs to make sure the standards are the best they can be if it is willing to take a stand on proper behavior.

Right now the code is just a public relations gimmick that puts the faculty in a good light without really achieving anything.

♦ **The issue:** The proposed faculty ethics code

♦ **Our view:** The Faculty Senate should include sanctions for those who violate the code.



SPEAK SOFTLY AND CARRY A BIG STICK.

♦ Letters to the editor/editor's hotline

Rebel flag not same as examples

I am writing in response to the young man who addressed the rebel flag issue in the Jan. 30 Herald. Before and since his article was published I have listened to many students in and out of class discuss this issue and would like to see it addressed in a more logical and balanced manner.

To the young man — I am sincerely sorry for the death of your friend. Radical opponents of many things have senselessly shed blood for their "cause" and the result has been a misconstruing of the real arguments. I believe that is what has happened in this case as well.

Yes, this is the South and many people here embrace the

rebel flag as a decoration. Do they have the right to do this without interference or fear of harm? Certainly. Unfortunately, though, your article went on to compare the meaning of the rebel flag to the meaning of a Malcolm X T-shirt or an Atlanta Braves hat. Now we must then look to what these symbols mean. In doing so, we have to look at them through a historic, not a personal lens.

A Malcolm X T-shirt can logically be taken to mean that the wearer agrees with or admires something about Malcolm X, the public figure. So who was Malcolm X? His opponents would say he was a separatist (and for the sake of this argu-



ment we will assume that a truth, and we won't even consider into the equation that after his trip to Mecca, he dropped a great deal of his separatist philosophy — an oft forgotten fact).

OK — a Braves hat. The objectionable point here is the stereotyping of Native Americans. Most of us realize that the stereotyping of "chief brave" has been replaced by a much more negative set of stereotypes, making the hat, in large part, simply uncourteous.

I'm not taking a side on the issue — simply building a comparison.

The rebel flag, however, represents a set of states whose members believed so strongly that black men, women and children should be legally bought and sold as property, that they were willing to die to preserve

that way of life — to preserve the whippings, the molestations, the separation of families and exploitation of workers for their capitalistic gain. That is a historical fact. It doesn't represent a man who had a statistically small number of followers or a stereotype. It represents a set of beliefs that led to a savage war on the very soil that those black men killed your friend on.

Did your friend have the right to be there with his flag? Yes. Did they have the right to kill him? No. But, as educated men and women, we need to ask ourselves what the real meaning of the decorations we embrace are. Perhaps we don't think of it as meaning that, but it does — we cannot refute its history, and if we are going to compare it to other symbols, it should be compared to symbols which repre-

sent ideas on the same plane. Perhaps, for example, I just like the swastika because it matches my Doc Martins, but my ignorance does not absolve me from how I have now presented myself to the world.

M. Elizabeth Compton
Cincinnati sophomore

Pro-choice opinion had many errors

Recently, the Herald ran a pro-abortion commentary (Jan. 25) which seethed under an immense burden of evidently unresolved anger. Anyone should feel compassion toward the suffering young woman who hurled those furious words, but no one can heal her of her own

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People poll

♦ Do you think Magic Johnson should be allowed to return to the NBA?



"Yes, because you shouldn't discriminate against him because of the AIDS virus."

Dawn Crabtree,
Somerset junior



"Yes, because Magic is one of the great basketball players of his time."

Elgin Pettus,
Hopkinsville junior



"Yes, as long as his doctors think it's all right. I don't think he poses that big of a threat."

Robble Brown,
Louisville freshman



"Yes, I think he should because he's still healthy enough to play. It shouldn't be an issue."

Dan Claegens,
Cincinnati junior



"It would be an honor to get HIV from playing Magic Johnson on an NBA court. He's one of the greats."

Joe Schmidt,
Louisville junior

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Forum

One less Ernie good for us all

The other day I was sitting in my drawing studio reading through a stack of newspapers when I read that the Bert and Ernie dolls had been stolen from an exhibit of the original Muppets in Erfurt, Germany.

I reclined back in to my chair and began daydreaming. I looked up and it was April 4, 1974.

My twin brother Tracy and I had just begun opening our presents at our third birthday party. He got a Bert doll and I got Ernie. Pretty cool. I always liked Ernie better.

Ernie is a babe magnet. He's man enough to be a pest to Bert, yet sensitive enough to continue playing with his rubber ducky. Women like that. So, needless to say, he is solely responsible for making me the babe magnet I am today.

The next thing I know, it is May 26, 1978. I know this day well. It is the day I darted out into the street on my Big Wheel only to be hit by a blue 1978 Plymouth driven by a young lady who happened to be adjusting her radio at the time she ran over me. I managed to escape with only a few minor cuts and bruises, but my passenger wasn't so lucky. It was the first time I had ever seen anyone operated on. I peeked through my fingers as I watched Mom sew Ernie's arm and head back on. I cried until the surgery was over. Thank God Ernie survived.

Ernie and I have been through a lot together. I have graduated high school, been through years of college, dozens of vacations and just as many girlfriends since I have known him.

He now lives in this box I keep under my bed along with several other childhood toys I have put aside for my children. I vision him laying in that box, relaxing and watching a sluttty episode of Ricki Lake. I miss my Ernie.

I wonder why the thieves didn't steal any of the other Muppets.

Did they lose their Ernie doll and feel the only replacement for him was the original one? Did they think the original Ernie doll would miss the original Bert doll, so they stole him, too? I bet if you wanted to find the thieves and the original dolls, you would only have to look for a lost Ernie doll and the person with an empty place in their heart for him.

As I snapped out of my daydreaming, I remembered my last memory of Ernie and how I was mistaken. He was no longer living in the box under my bed. I was dating this girl who hated the Muppets. She was a nice looking red-head and she broke up with me when she found out I had the Ernie doll. I never forgave myself for having that damn doll. I'd much rather have the luscious red-haired girl than a doll who spent his time living in a house with another doll, a male no less, named Bert. I tossed Ernie out to our dog who instantly turned him into a cloud of stuffing.

As I left my studio and walked home, my anger toward my old Ernie doll was resurrected. And as I turned the corner, I passed an Ernie doll sitting in a storefront window. I went inside, paid a couple of bucks for the doll and took him around to the back of the store. Back there, I tied him up, put a gag in his mouth and shoved him into a dumpster.

"I am not letting another Ernie doll ruin anyone's relationship with a red-head," I thought. "This mugging was brought to you by the letters H, E, L, P and the number 9-1-1."

I hope they never find the stolen dolls. Well, I hope they just find Bert. It would serve Ernie right. The world is better off with one less Ernie.

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Stacy Curtis
Commentary



Ideal world has unisex restrooms

In Sir Thomas More's book about an ideal society, he discusses politics, religion, war, and though he never directly says this, implies that men and women should share restrooms.

"In Utopia, where nothing is private, they really do public business," More said.

Interpret that as you please, but this is merely my own hypothesis. I believe More agrees with me that lines are too long in women's restrooms. The solution: mix the sexes. Gender shouldn't play a factor when nature calls.

Unisex restrooms are popular overseas and have been around ever since Adam and Eve used the same tree in the Garden of Eden, the first Utopia. I am not certain that it was the Tree of Knowledge or some anonymous tree or shrub, but God created the first restroom as a non-exclusive entity.

Whoever installs the restrooms of here and now needs to redefine "separate but equal."

Recently at an overcrowded public function, as I was impatiently waiting in line for the women's room, a male friend pulled me aside and suggested I use the men's room.

So I went, and there I saw men and women, waiting together, sharing the 'Johns,' or 'Joans' if you will, and taking care of business in a timely manner.

Meanwhile, back at the all

female restroom, things were getting ugly.

A blond in a halter top and stretch jeans (do they still make those?) found it her civil duty to

Melissa Gagliardi
Commentary



say "Beat it, missy, the end of the line is that way," to women who accidentally cut in line, not knowing the end was somewhere in Saskatchewan.

The atmosphere was more congenial in the men's room. It smelled worse and there were more swabs on the ceiling, but it was a happy environment. (Swabs, in case you've forgotten, are those wet toilet paper wads thrown on the ceiling by seventh graders, that dry there appearing to be premature stalagmites of oatmeal.)

Women were welcomed in the men's room, which should be no surprise. (As if a bunch of men with their zippers down are going to ask women about to pull their pants down to leave.)

The men's room also had as many mirrors as the women's room, which makes no sense. Mirrors are for appearances in transition. Men can't change how they look, besides wetting their hair down, and don't need to look at themselves unless they've actually forgotten what they look like. Women could use those extra mirrors to better direct their lip gloss and mascara as they primp.

Women primping in a room full of men would also let men know the trouble some girls go through to look nice and they'd be on hand to open tight-lidded jars of make-up. Note — women don't need help opening jars; men, however, need to be asked to help so they can say they've done more than just defuzz their belly buttons.

For each mirror, there was a sink. What a waste. Men don't wash their hands despite the extra 'handing' they do. With women around to set a good example, more men would wash and less germs would be spread.

Fewer germs. Smiling faces. Shorter lines. Male and female bonding. The unisex restroom could just be the answer to bringing society closer to becoming a Utopia.

As long as the men put the toilet seats down.

Editor's note: Melissa Gagliardi is a senior print journalism major from Louisville.

♦ Letters to the editor

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hostility.

However, a few of the many fantasies found in her pro-abortion commentary cry out for correction. Let's limit it to three.

First, the "back alley" mantra is a myth. More women are dying from abortion now than before it was legalized nationwide in 1973 by seven old men in black robes.

Also, a woman who submits to abortion during her first pregnancy doubles her likelihood of developing breast cancer. Plus, she faces a host of other medical problems, though to explain them would require more space than a letter to the editor offers. The bottom line is that the "safe-and-legal" cliché is bogus.

Too, abortion does not prevent or even reduce child abuse; far from it. Since 1973 child

abuse has erupted shockingly. It skyrocketed 500 percent by 1983, and 1,500 percent by 1991. Also, of course, abortion itself is child abuse — prenatal, fatal child abuse. The demented notion rooted in abortion seems to be: "If you can slaughter the little buggers before they're born, it's better than afterward."

Third, the commentary says motherhood should not be forced on every woman who gets pregnant. So the notion is it's fine to have a pre-born child killed if the pregnant woman doesn't want to become a mother.

Here's news from planet earth: When a woman is pregnant, she already is a mother, right then.

The only issue is whether she'll deliver a living baby or a dead one — whether her child will become just another statistic, the

corpse of another prenatal homicide victim.

Jim Wesolowski
communication and broadcasting professor

Jesus was not a drunkard

I am disappointed with "Our View" as expressed on Jan. 23. The writer made a few immature comments, saying "We wait 21 years to be given the right to legally drink so don't tell us when we can or can't do it once we are of age. ... What do they think, that people will go to hell for alcoholic consumption? It's not like Jesus didn't drink wine."

Late last Friday night, coming home from a date, a pickup truck came into my lane. I swerved and avoided an acci-

dent, but I'm convinced this person had been drinking. This is not the first time that I've had this happen to me.

The question on alcohol sales late into the evening is about public safety, not morality. Those "religious fanatics" are concerned about our safety. Not once did I hear one say, "people that drink are going to hell." I heard people that did not want drunk drivers killing people in our community. If one person drives under the influence, isn't that enough to kill someone? More people die from alcohol-related accidents late at night than non alcohol-related accidents.

The fact is, alcohol impairs judgment. I believe I've seen more than a couple stories published in your paper concerning drunk people on campus fight-

ing or raping. I've also seen reports done on people whose lives were ruined because of alcohol abuse.

Jesus drank because he didn't have Coke or a lot of clean water. In fact, his word tells us not to get drunk (Ephesians 5:18). If you want to drink, fine. Buy your alcohol, go home, and drink it (or get a designated driver).

Don't position yourself to endanger lives and don't use Jesus to back up your point because it's not credible according to the Bible.

If you came to college just to drink, then I advise you to quit school now and get in contact with a few people on Third Street. I'm sure they can keep you happy.

Jonathan McCay
Bowling Green sophomore

PARKING: Some say it's not a big problem

BY FRED LUCAS

Greenville freshman Jeremy Bowles said parking his car is probably his biggest problem at Western.

"It's one of the more important issues concerning student life on campus," he said. "Anybody you talk to complains about parking. It may be the most important issue."

However, Louisville junior Kristen Miller, Student Government Association public relations director, said parking is not a large-scale problem.

"I've been to U of L, and their parking is more expensive, and there are less spaces, so I think we're a little spoiled and just don't know it. ... A lot of people say it's not a parking problem but a walking problem, but if students express concern then it's a problem," she said.

At an SGA forum held last Wednesday, campus police Chief Horace Johnson also said parking is not a major problem.

"The cost is the lowest in comparison to out of state universities," he said. "There are over 5,000 spaces, and several empty lots. There is adequate parking. You just have to know where to look."

There are 8,340 registered cars on campus including faculty, staff and students, Lt. Paul Joiner said. Last year, 9,275 cars were registered.

Johnson said the Jones-Jagers lot and the lot behind the Services-Supply Building have an abundance of parking spaces.

Lexington sophomore Andrea Judy said parking her car can make her late to class.

"You can drive around for an hour and still not find a space," she said. "Then you would have to park a mile off campus just to get to class on time."

Students pay \$50 for a parking tag for the entire school year, but that doesn't guarantee a spot.

Bowling Green junior Laurie Wright said the tags are a waste

of money.

"It's too expensive to pay for a parking permit and then to never be able to find a space," she said.

Murray State University's parking cost \$10 and there are 5,600 spaces with 6,500 registered cars. Eastern Kentucky University's parking costs \$30 with 8,500 spaces available.

University of Kentucky charges students who live on campus \$56 to park and \$96 for commuters. It costs \$68 to park at the University of Louisville.

SGA Secretary Erin Schepman, a Louisville junior, said she there is no easy solution.

"We want to know student opinion on the parking problem," she said. "There are parking problems everywhere, and we're not going to come up with a solution that will make everybody happy."

SGA President Tara Higdon said she recognizes a problem and is searching for alternatives.

"The only thing SGA could do

is propose a change in lot or permits," she said. "Everyone is willing to listen to solutions because it is a major problem."

Zuniga Birchler, a sophomore from Tennyson, Ind., said finding a spot depends on timing.

"If you can find a space over the weekend and keep it, you're okay, but if you try to find a space between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m., you're screwed," she said. "If you have to drive to work during the week, you will lose your space."

Miller questioned the possibility of limiting parking to upperclassmen, but Johnson said that would hurt recruiting efforts.

"We don't want to say you can't park here while Murray can say 'we have plenty of space for you here.' Usually it's new sophomores that suggest this."

University Architect Paul Morgan said there are no plans for a new parking area.

"It's hard to make space where you already have buildings," he said. "Building a new

parking structure would cost around \$10,000 to \$12,000 per car, which would be a real financial strain to the university."

Gordon Turner, campus police student patrol coordinator, said students should follow the parking rules and those who live off campus should arrive early.

"I write tickets based on the rules and regulations," he said.

And students should expect to get a ticket if they park illegally, Johnson said.

"We are compassionate about giving tickets," he said. "We understand that some of you may not have had time to get your car registered. We also understand that if you have been here for seven months you should have probably registered it already."

Heather Palmer, a sophomore from Buffalo, N.Y., said there is a double standard.

"I don't think teachers have the right to park in student lots when we get towed for parking in reserved spots," she said.

WKUNet receives national attention

BY JASON HALL

Administrators have said for months that Western's networking capabilities are something special. Apparently, the Smithsonian Institution agrees.

The university's campus-wide network, WKUNet, has been nominated for a Computerworld Smithsonian Award, a national award given for leadership in technology.

"It's like the Oscars for the technology field," said Liza Parks, media relations officer for the Smithsonian Institution.

Charles Anderson, assistant vice president for Finance and Administration, said he wants everyone to realize the quality of Western's system.

"One of the most gratifying things about this nomination is that people will be aware of what we've done," he said.

So far, there are about 300 nominees nationally for awards in 10 categories, Parks said. Western is nominated in the education category.

This is an institution-wide accomplishment, Anderson said.

"We're very pleased with the nomination, because it is a recognition of an achievement by this university," he said.

There is no cash prize involved with the award, Parks said.

"There really isn't anything on par with this award in the information technology field," she said.

Five finalists in each category will be announced in April.

The winners will be announced at an awards ceremony.

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— Charles Anderson
vice president of Finance and Administration

ny June 3 in Washington, D.C.

Past winners of the honor include the University of California at Los Angeles, the Center for Applied Special Technology, and Ohio's Center of Science and Industry.

Though the award is co-sponsored by Computerworld magazine and the Smithsonian Institution, there are many member companies who participate in the program, such as Microsoft Corporation, Apple Computer, Inc., IBM and AT&T, Parks said.

Dave Beckley, assistant director of network communications,

said Western's chances of winning are good.

"We are certainly in the upper class of universities in being where we are," he said. "Win or lose, I think to be recognized as being one of the leaders is a win, in and of itself."

In addition to being in contention for the award, WKUNet will be made part of the Smithsonian Institution's permanent research collection on innovative information technology.

Information on award winners will be available at "The Information Age: People, Information and Technology," an exhibit at the National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C.

A letter to President Thomas Meredith from David Allison, chairman of the Smithsonian's Information, Technology and Society group, said WKUNet was "an example of information technology which creates positive change in the way we work, play and live our daily lives."

Anderson said he is proud of this national recognition, but it is not the purpose of the network and its capabilities at Western.

"The real gratification is from the people I run into every day — people who are using this technology in their daily lives," he said.

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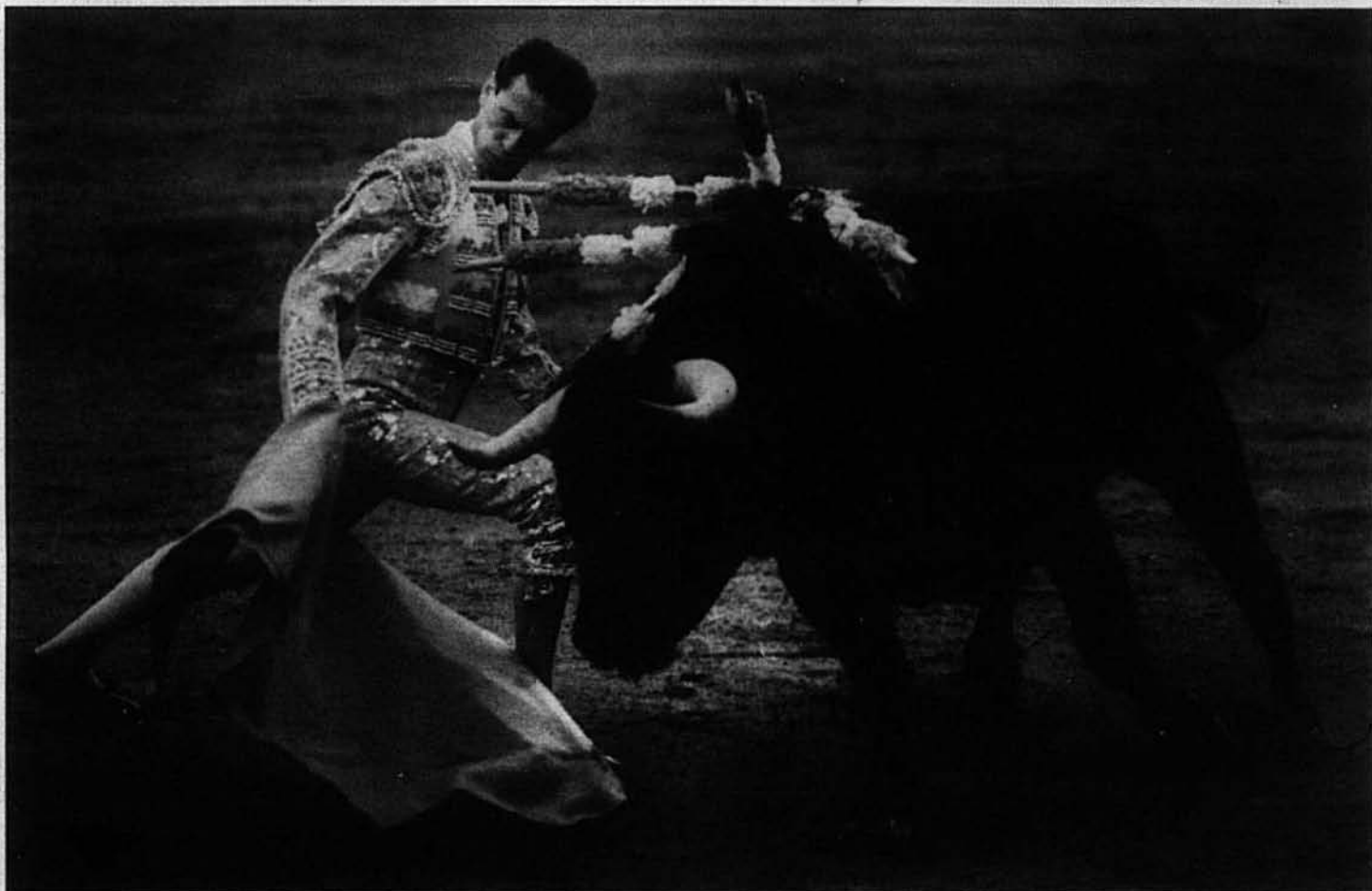


el Matador

*Mexico City host
to tradition*



The crowd tosses hats to Silveti after a duel with a bull in Plaza Mexico, a stadium in Mexico City. The bullfights, held on New Year's Day, were the first of the season and marked the 50th anniversary of bullfighting in the stadium.



Bleeding from its back, the bull tires from Mexican matador Alejandro Silveti's taunts with the flag. Each time the bull charged for Silveti's flag, the crowd yelled "Ole."



Left, Silveti drives his sword into the bull's back, attempting to immobilize and kill the animal. When it couldn't fight anymore, Silveti stabbed it in the back of the head, killing it. Above, the bull's carcass is towed out of the stadium in preparation for the next fight.

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A sense of community in Western's dorms

◆ **Residents enjoy making their own rules about noise, visitation**

BY JASON CARNAHAN

In its sixth semester, community living has become a way of life for many Western students.

"Community living in the dorms builds skills for students to use as they move past college and into the real world," Residence Life Director David Parrott said.

Community living allows students to make their own decisions, he said.

"Community life allows for students to be self-governing in which issues, such as noise and twenty-four hour visitation rights, can be at the discretion of

the community," Parrott said. "This is provided that the community outlines mechanisms for enforcement."

About 70 percent of students who live in one of the designated dorms are community living members, he said.

The six dorms are Bates-Runner, McLean, South, North, West, and East halls.

These dorms were selected because "the smaller size allows for more of a community atmosphere," said Darrell Bridges, Residence Life coordinator of the Thoroughbred area.

Kelly Kempisty, a freshman from Erie, Penn., said community living allows members to sign-in their guests, which gives students more say in how things are done.

Louisville junior Jodi Jervis said community living teaches students how to deal with people

without hurting their feelings, while treating them in a respectful manner.

"The community atmosphere brings everyone together and teaches them discipline and

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— Jodi Jervis
Louisville junior

responsibility," Jervis said.

The noise and visitation responsibilities of community members reduces the workload for the resident assistants, she said.

"Although RA's still have the same influence over the halls, they don't participate that much in the community," Jervis said. "When a problem arises, it is brought to the community coordinator instead of an RA."

Students must attend eight seminars to be considered for community living, Bridges said.

"Topics from substance abuse, ethical decision-making, and the art of collaboration are discussed," he said. "Help is provided to students in order to mediate any conflicts that arise so that the petition process can be facilitated."

Setting up a petition, or set of rules, is the responsibility of community coordinators like Rockfield freshman Todd Jones, a West Hall resident.

"Ten people is the minimum requirement for a community

and participation from everyone is not mandatory," he said. "After the petition is agreed upon by all members, a community goal is set for the community."

Students participate in community living for a variety of reasons.

Kempisty said she joined for the twenty-four hour visitation.

Others, like Jervis, think community living will help them develop leadership and become closer to the people in their community.

With the positive responses Parrott has received from the program, he said he would like to see it implemented in other dorms at Western.

"Unfortunately, the larger residence dorms are not designed for the current system," he said.

Clipping coupons cuts costs

BY BETH FLANAGAN

Owensboro graduate student Rob Evans said he is a frequent user of coupons.

"Of course I use them, unless I'm on a date," Evans said. "I especially use ones for restaurants and essentials, like spaghetti sauce."

He said this saves him money. "I once saved \$12 on a \$26-ticket total. I ended up spending only \$14," Evans said.

College students like Evans are always looking for ways to save money. One way to save on household bills is with the use of coupons.

"Students who shop here don't use coupons as much as one would expect. You'd think they would," said Terry McGinnis, assistant manager of Houchens located on 31-W Bypass. "Of the ones who do, most of them are for frozen foods, like pizza. College students don't seem to like to cook much."

McGinnis said that shoppers could save between \$7 and \$10 dollars on "a big order."

Steve Briggs, East Hall director, said students use coupons frequently because they are available in the dorms.

"There's a woman who brings a bunch of coupons around every semester and usually leaves them at East Hall and Barnes-Campbell Hall," he said. "We don't know what her name is but no one seems to mind too much. There is always someone down there looking through the coupons."

Louisville senior Lori Haberman said she acquires coupons by stealing them from her mom.

"I usually use them to save money on cleaning and feminine supplies and food," she said.

Louisville junior Jeremy Price said a popular way of using coupons among the student body is tearing them out of the Hilltopics magazine.

"It's the easiest way to get pizza numbers because the number is right there on the coupon," he said. "I usually use them for fast food if I use them."

However, Amy Walker, a Bowling Green resident pursuing teacher certification, said she doesn't use coupons.

"They never really have one for anything I want," Walker said. "I would probably save money if I did use them, but I really don't bother unless there's a coupon on the package that I can redeem at the checkout."

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Health class focuses on sexual attitudes

By JOHN STAMPER

The three R's are no longer reading, writing and arithmetic. Instead, they are reproduction, recreation and relationship.

"I look at sex in a triangular form," said Cin Chubb, public health assistant professor.

All three sides of the triangle — reproduction, recreation and relationship — are important to a healthy sexual life, she said.

"The Human Sexuality course is really about looking at the rich diversity that exist in sexual attitudes," Chubb said.

She said students come into her classroom thinking, "Oh, what are we going to do? Talk about intercourse for 16 weeks."

Louisville senior Skye Bove said the class is not about different sex positions or toys.

"It's kind of like a health 100 class with a few things added," Bove said. "It's a good, challenging class. It makes you think."

Jennifer Hill, a Nashville senior, said the class did discuss different sex toys and tattooing.

"I was really surprised to learn about how widespread STDs were on college campuses and how little we knew about them," Hill said.

The class was a lot of fun, she said.

"She did a lot to help make us

feel comfortable with each other," Hill said.

Chubb said the goal of the class is to help students critically think about sexual situations that are all around us.

"We do a lot with contemporary issues in sexual behavior; sex in the media, conception and fertility awareness and gender

communication," Chubb said.

She said she hasn't heard of any criticism of her class. Her class looks at sex from a social scientist view and not a religious one, Chubb said.

"They are two different things and they're both right," she said. "We do value clarification,

not value setting."

Somerset sophomore Julie Roberts had never heard of the Human Sexuality class but doesn't see any reason why it shouldn't be offered.

"College is a place that is open to a variety of topics, so they should have a variety of classes," Roberts said.

Both Hill and Bove said they took the class because it sounded interesting.

"A majority of students in my class come from backgrounds where sexuality is not openly talked about," Chubb said. "Sexuality is a part of our life from birth to death."

"We do a lot with contemporary issues in sexual behavior, sex in the media, conception and fertility awareness and gender communications."

— Cin Chubb
public health assistant professor



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Light my fire: During sculpture class, Russellville junior Brandon Jones works with a welding flame Friday. Jones was cutting pieces of metal to use on a chair for a project on functional furniture for the class.

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Students patrol parking for campus police

BY JENNIFER WRIGHT

Jeff Eversoll goes to work every morning and surveys the campus for cars that are illegally parked. He's not a police officer, though he plans to be.

The Bowling Green senior is one of seven student patrolmen who writes parking tickets around campus.

Eversoll said the student patrolmen are not out to get anyone.

"We're not all demons," he said. "I don't clock in and see how many tickets I can write. We're out here for a purpose. We make sure everything is safe for students as well as for visitors on campus."

Adrian Alverson, a sophomore from Greensburg, Ind., said there shouldn't be student patrolmen.

"I think they need to get new jobs," he said.

Gordon Turner, campus

police student patrol coordinator, said the student patrolmen's main focus is to keep parking on campus safe.

"We have set rules and regulations we follow," he said. "If students are walking the lots, and they see a car in violation, they give that car a citation."

The students don't have a certain amount of tickets they have to write, Turner said.

"We're not out for numbers," he said.

Louisville sophomore Hollie Willingham said student patrolmen should be consistent.

"If campus police are going to enforce the rules, they need to enforce them every day of the week, not when it's convenient for them to write a ticket," she said.

Eversoll said he applied for the student patrolmen position because he needed a job.

"It looked like it would be an interesting and challenging experience, too," he said.

Not only student patrolmen, but students who work at the campus police station have to deal with angered students and faculty.

"One guy told us his hamster ate his parking permit."

— Shannon Metcalf
Louisville junior

Louisville junior Shannon Metcalf is one of six students who deals with people when they come to pay their tickets.

Metcalf said the excuses she hears are common ones that people think are new.

"The most common excuses are that they didn't know they were parked on Western's campus, didn't see the signs, or they didn't think the signs applied to

them," she said.

However, sometimes parking violators get creative.

"One guy told us his hamster ate his parking permit," Metcalf said.

Eversoll and Metcalf said their friends sometimes ask for favors to get out of tickets.

"I've given a friend a ticket before," Eversoll said. "It's hard to do, but it's part of the job."

Eversoll said his job isn't limited to just writing tickets.

"We help the campus police officers in any way they need help," he said. "We enforce parking regulations and help direct traffic during special events on campus among other things."

Eversoll said many students say derogatory comments to him while he's working.

People aren't going to like anyone who works at the station, Metcalf said.

"We try to be as nice as we can and help people out," she

said. "We can't bend the rules for one person or we'd have to bend them for everyone."

Eversoll said he writes from one to 30 tickets a day.

"I don't have a set schedule I follow," he said. "I usually patrol the south end of campus, but I do patrol the top of the hill as well."

Turner said the student patrolmen don't make up parking tickets to take revenge on people.

"People seem to forget that they're just students, too," he said.

Hodgenville sophomore Ben Bryan said student patrolmen think they are above the law.

"Student ticketing is definitely a detriment to our campus," he said.

Eversoll said students and faculty should respect the student patrolmen and police officers.

"I'm just doing the job I've been trained to do, and I do it to the best of my ability."

COMMON: Study says 15 percent of students have disorders

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and eats it by herself."

However, the primary actions a bulimic takes is not just consuming large amounts of food, Weldon said.

"There's a lot of focus on weight," she said. "There's an incredible need to be perfect. She may spend elaborate time in the bathroom ... These people plan their whole life around food. For a bulimic, all she wants to do is get alone, and anorexics will prepare elaborate meals for everyone else but not eat any of it."

According to a recent University of Maryland study, 15 percent of university students nationwide have an eating disorder.

This week, Western will participate in the first national collegiate screening program for National Eating Disorders Awareness Week, said Patti Collins, a staff psychologist for Counseling Services.

Programs will be held at 8 p.m. tomorrow night in Tate Page Hall auditorium and 2:30 p.m. Thursday in DUC Theatre.

Students will complete a questionnaire and meet with a health care professional to discuss their answers.

There will also be an educational presentation, Collins said. "We're nipping at little things."

Mary Wilfert, coordinator of health education for Student Health Service, said she wants students to take advantage of the program — if not for themselves, for their friends.

"This is an issue. There are things that you can do about it," she said. "You can learn more about it to help them. That's one big thing we're hoping for this week."

Bowling Green junior Nancy Shoemaker said eating disorders are a problem in college.

"I haven't seen it — but it is a problem," she said. "I see it on TV all the time."

Shoemaker, a nursing student,

said people don't focus enough on nutrition.

"I go to aerobics at the Preston Center, and the focus on weight is really out of whack," she said. "Students should get into nutrition classes ... to learn about fat grams, carbohydrates — to know what to eat and when to eat."

There is a distinction between an eating disorder and



Fighting against Eating Disorders

bad eating habits, Wilfert said.

"Many of us practice poor nutrition, but we don't have an eating disorder. We just practice poor nutrition," she said.

"There's a line you cross at some point where you get to looking at an eating disorder."

Collins said people suffering from eating disorders behave differently than those practicing poor nutrition.

"It's not a diet. It's not a weakness. It's an illness," she said. "Disordered eating is poor nutrition. It's a reaction to life situations like exams, illnesses ... With eating disorders there are frequent and intense, almost compulsive, thoughts about food and eating."

Wilfert said high school and college-age people are highly affected by disorders because of societal messages.

"That's the age group that picks up on the messages we have out there," she said. "They talk about thin bodies, the ideal model body ... when you're a teenager or young adult you pay a lot of attention to this. You're very into your appearance for jobs, for relationships. Since you're still fairly young, you've not really identified for yourself where your comfort level is with your body weight."

The messages being sent are wrong, said Dennis O'Neill, director of pathology and laboratory services at Manchester Memorial Hospital in Connecticut.

"As a pathologist and as the father of two daughters, I'm very concerned about the images we give our teenagers," he said. "The things we teach our teenagers about how do they measure success, how do they measure their body image, how they measure their self-esteem through their body image."

According to the College of American Pathologists, anorexia and bulimia are diseases of "abundance" and only occur in cultures where food is ample and society places a heavy emphasis on appearance.

However, societal pressures are not the only factors leading to eating disorders, Collins said.

There are personality, environmental and biochemical factors, she said.

"Some personality characteristics are feelings of worthlessness, low self-esteem, an intense fear of being fat, perfectionism," Collins said. "Usually the anorexic is too good to be true — they rarely disobey, they're good athletes. Their family appears very harmonious, politeness is valued, and the parents have a very high expectation of the anorexic."

Other reasons for the illness are the chemical feelings sufferers get from their disorder, she said.

"Self-starvation dulls feelings of hunger and creates an analgesic euphoria (numbing head rush) ... with the bulimic by vomiting they sometimes experience a similar light-headed euphoria," Collins said.

Weldon said eating disorders need to be addressed.

"You must confront it," she said. "People walk on eggshells and think, 'I do that.' It's the same thing as alcoholism — you have to confront it, say, 'It must be so hard to live like you're living. What can I do to help you?'"

Symptoms of anorexia nervosa:

- ◆ deliberate self-starvation
- ◆ intense fear of gaining weight
- ◆ compulsive exercise
- ◆ sensitivity to cold
- ◆ absent or irregular menstruation
- ◆ hair loss, dry skin

Symptoms of bulimia:

- ◆ binge eating and vomiting after bingeing
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University Libraries are sponsoring several workshops to teach faculty, staff and students how to use the available electronic databases and indexes.

The first series of sessions will be held on Feb. 7, March 6 and April 3. The sessions will cover the new Internet-accessible InfoTrac SearchBank, which is being used by the library on a trial basis.

The new InfoTrac searches

academic journal articles like the present system, but it also includes full text for more than 150 journals that the library does not have available.

They will also cover TOP-CAT, Western's computerized library catalog, and available CD-ROM databases.

The second series of sessions will cover FirstSearch, a service which makes 55 extra databases available to faculty, staff and graduate students.

Those workshops are scheduled by college. Potter College will meet on Feb. 21, College of Education on March 27 and Ogden College on April 10. A session open to all colleges will be held on April 11.

All workshops will be held at 2:30 p.m. in Helm-Cravens Library, Room 5.

To reserve a spot in a workshop call Peggy Wright, library research coordinator, at 745-6115 or reserve by e-mail at wrighmm@wku.edu.

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As part of the Black History Month celebration, Shari Harris Thompson and the Cross Family Singers sing Sunday at the Kentucky Museum.

Black history events offer cultural learning

BY FRED LUCAS

Students should evaluate themselves and their history, folk studies Assistant Professor Johnston Njoku said Thursday. "If we don't know who we are, how do we know what we can become?" he said.

About 50 students gathered in Downing University Center to kick off Black History Month.

"We have to know about ourselves before we can learn about others," Louisville junior Ray Robinson said. "We are all created equal and must accept all cultures."

Njoku said every culture should examine its own history.

"Quite often we don't think about how we got where we are," he said. "The entire nation should think about their history."

Black History Month encourages unity, Owensboro junior Paul Miller said.

"We are all the same, even though we have different traditions," he said. "We need to learn to work together."

People should embrace cultural diversity all year, said Nashville junior Shelly Norfleet, who sang "His Eyes Are on a Sparrow."

"It shouldn't be just one month out of the year, but 12 months a year," she said.

Western should give blacks more opportunities to make contributions, Njoku said.

"When people feel free and a sense of belonging, they will present opportunities to other minorities that don't have the visibility we have," he said. "We should use the next 28 days to ask ourselves questions that would take us a year to answer."

Other students said they are inspired by the special month to celebrate their history.

"Black History Month should be celebrated not only by our

culture, but also celebrated by all cultures," said Tibbs Timothy, a sophomore from Huntsville, Ala.

Paducah sophomore Mia Johnson said February is a time for historical black figures to be recognized.

"Everybody needs to be aware of the impact African Americans have made on society," she said. "Also more people need to be aware that Martin Luther King was not the only significant black person in history."

Several events are scheduled to celebrate Black History Month:

"Martin Luther King Jr., and the Civil Rights Movement," Feb. 1-29, The Kentucky Museum, Gallery P

Herstory, 8 p.m. today, Downing University Center, Room 226

Lunchtime Learning Series, noon, Feb. 7, 14, 21, The Kentucky Museum, orientation room

Soul Food Night/Casino Night, 1-4 p.m. Saturday, West Hall cellar

"From the Gallows to the Gavel," 7 p.m. Monday, DUC Theatre

Rites of Passage, 7-10 p.m., Feb. 15, DUC, Room 226

Amazing Tones of Joy, 7 p.m., Feb. 19, DUC Theatre

Vendor's Day, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Feb. 20, DUC lobby

Black History Month Quiz Bowl, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Feb. 21-22, DUC lobby

Civil Rights: "Do You Know Your Rights," 7 p.m., Feb. 21, DUC, Room 305

"O.E.S. Black History Exhibit," 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Feb. 21, DUC lobby

"Evening of Poetry," 8 p.m., Feb. 22, location TBA

Panel Discussion, time TBA, Feb. 27, Garrett Auditorium

"Race in America," 7 p.m., Feb. 28, Grise Hall, third floor conference room

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Student information security a priority

By Kristina Goetz

With Western soon to be completely networked, students will have more access to information.

But the university is making sure that classified information stays secure.

Western has a more conservative view on computer security compared to other institutions, said Bob August, computer information services director.

The university is required by law to protect the system and the data, he said.

August said he has worked at other institutions where the only protection to the administrative data was a password and a user identification.

Western has 10 levels of security, he said.

"I guess it's in the eyes of the beholder as to whether we are providing adequate security or not," August said. "We feel comfortable that we are providing a serious level of protection."

One important measure is procedural security, August said.

"Many individuals on campus have the right to access administrative data for a variety of reasons, either financial information or student information," he said.

"Those people who have access are responsible for protecting the user IDs and passwords."

Registrar Freida Eggleton has the final say when it comes to releasing student data.

"She has the authority to allow anybody at the university who works with the data information to have access," August said.

The department head or director of each office decides who under their supervision has access, and Eggleton reviews the request.

The Computer Services Center then sets up the security system according to the validated request.

Eggleton decides whether the access is appropriate according to the 1974 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

The act stipulates that only those with a legitimate "educational need to know" are to have access to student records without



photo illustration by Jason Koski/Herald

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the student's permission, Eggleton said.

That includes access for the purposes of advising and identifying educational deficiencies, she said.

The information available includes a student's name, address, telephone number and date and place of birth.

A student's social security number is not included under the act, Eggleton said.

The act and what it includes is in every schedule bulletin, and it is the student's responsibility to know the rules, she said.

Students must complete a spe-

cial form in the Registrar's office within the first five days of class each term if they want the directory information to remain confidential, she said.

There are several levels of user IDs and passwords, August said. But even if students get into a certain application, that doesn't mean they will have access to information.

"The application is set up so that you are only allowed access to certain screens and data," he said. "Just because you've gotten in really doesn't mean that you have access to everything. Almost all users don't have access to

everything. You are only given access to what you legitimately have a need to know."

Although some people may have access to different information in the Student Information System, they may only be able to see students' transcript information or schedules, said Dave Beckley, assistant director for the Computer Services Center.

"But just because they have access to the information, they may not necessarily be able to change it," he said. "Some people have read-only access."

People are not given the capability to change data as frequently

as the read-only capability, Beckley said.

There is also a security audit on systems across campus.

"If someone attempts to break into a machine, what that causes is a software alarm to identify to the system administrator that the activity is going on," August said.

The system shuts down after several attempts of trying to guess user IDs or passwords. Access to the account is terminated until the system is reset, Beckley said.

"If you're not lucky enough to guess it on the first few tries, you won't be able to try anymore," he said.

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Western, Murray in conflict on MBA in Owensboro

◆ *Program was never officially suspended, it just didn't have any students enrolled*

BY JASON HALL

When Western decides to restart its Masters of Business Administration program at the Owensboro campus, it may meet with some resistance.

Murray State University has operated an MBA program at its Owensboro campus since 1974 and does not want its program to end.

"It would be the same pro-

gram," said Dannie Harrison, dean of Murray's College of Business and Public Affairs. "It would be in definite conflict with our program."

The Council on Higher Education, which oversees the state's universities, does not have a policy against similar programs in the same area, but it does strongly discourage it, said Becky Horine, assistant director for council services and outreach.

"This is very difficult timing," she said. "It does focus issues on turf."

Owensboro is in Western's state appointed service area, which gives them the right to

put a program there, Horine said.

"There was not a lot of cooperation with this," she said.

But Western gave Murray the right to offer an MBA program in Owensboro, said Mike Gardone, the council's deputy executive director for Academic Affairs.

Western never officially suspended its MBA program, Gardone said. It was just inactive because there were no students in it.

Horine said the council has to approve all degree programs offered by state institutions, and it will make the decision about who gets to stay and who

has to go when Western makes their request to put the program in Owensboro.

President Thomas Meredith said he did not know when the program would be offered in Owensboro, only that it would be eventually.

"We will start our MBA out of our business school here, but we can take it a lot of different places," he said. "One of the places we're going to take that program is to Owensboro."

Meredith said they will initially use Western's interactive television program, which has classrooms in Owensboro, to offer graduate business classes there.

Once Western offers the degree in Owensboro, students from Murray's extended campus could get an MBA from Western's extended campus, Meredith said.

"We are going to work together to meet the needs of our students," he said.

Harrison agreed. "I hope it can be worked out to the best interests of the state, and the students in that region," he said.

But the bottom line, Meredith said, is that Western's MBA program is coming.

"We haven't had a program to take there," he said. "Now we do."

Career administrator interviewed for business dean position

BY JASON HALL

After 21 years, Tyrone Black is looking for a change.

Black, who was on campus yesterday and today interviewing for the vacant post of dean of the College of Business, has spent most of his career as an academic administrator, and most of that time at the same institution.

"I decided I wanted to look around and see if I could find a place that was an opportunity and a challenge," he said. "That's why I'm here at Western Kentucky — to see if there's a good match between what you need in a business dean, and the experience and abilities that I have."

Black, dean of the business college at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg since 1985, talked to students, faculty and search committee members.

He is the second of three candidates scheduled to interview for the position. Robert Jefferson, dean of the business college at Illinois State University at Normal, interviewed in February.

The third candidate for the position, John Hatfield, will be on campus Thursday and Friday.

Hatfield has been a professor of management at the University of Central Florida since 1994. He has also been the associate busi-

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— **Tyrone Black**
candidate for dean of the College of Business

ness dean at Central Florida.

The job has been vacant since June when John Brown resigned. Accounting Department Head, Jack Hall is serving as interim

dean.

The upcoming accreditation review for the business college will be a top priority for Black if he gets the job.

"It's important to the graduates that come out of this business school that they come out of an accredited program," he said.

Western's revival of its Masters of Business Administration program is also one of Black's major issues.

"The size of this community and the vitality of this community is such that it will certainly support a good MBA program," he said. "I think it's a great opportunity, and the university

will benefit from a good MBA program."

Meredith said that soon after a dean is found, the search for an assistant business dean will start.

"We made that commitment early on," he said. "After the new dean gets here, we will deal with that."

He said the search will not start until the dean position is filled.

Meredith would not comment about the duties of the assistant dean because he said it was too early to tell.

But he did say the position will be essential to the college.

"We expect the new dean to be involved a great deal off campus," he said.

Grand jury doesn't indict student

BY JENNIFER WRIGHT

The Warren County grand jury decided Wednesday there wasn't enough evidence to indict William Curtis, a Western student charged with rape.

"I didn't do anything," Curtis said. "I said from the start that I was innocent, and now everybody knows it."

Curtis, a senior from Lakeland, Fla., was arrested Nov. 28 and charged with first-

degree rape. A 22-year-old woman said Curtis raped her in the women's restroom of O'Pawley's Pub, 915 College St.

O'Pawley's management had no comment.

Curtis was released the same day from the Warren County Regional Jail on a \$10,000 cash bond.

Curtis was set to have a preliminary hearing Jan. 31, but it was postponed because the case was scheduled to be heard by

the grand jury.

Joseph Kirwan, Curtis's lawyer, said the case is closed because of a lack of evidence.

Unless new evidence is found, the case will be dismissed, Commonwealth Attorney Steve Wilson said.

Wilson said it was a case of her word against his.

"In this case the grand jury has to look at outside information to see if they can make a determination," he said.

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BY JENNIFER WRIGHT

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Oldham County sophomore Nixb Klingenfus said the program is a good idea, but she

"The program sounds like it would be a great learning experience," she said. "I'm disappointed that I won't be able to attend."

Anyone who is interested should contact Spies for an application.

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"Race relations have changed none whatsoever, and this is not good," said Louisville junior Stephanie Wright, president of the campus chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

"I think people are less reluctant to speak up if they have a problem with something about to

Henderson freshman Angel Schofield said she thinks the car-

said Sybil Mathis, a Paducah junior who participated in last

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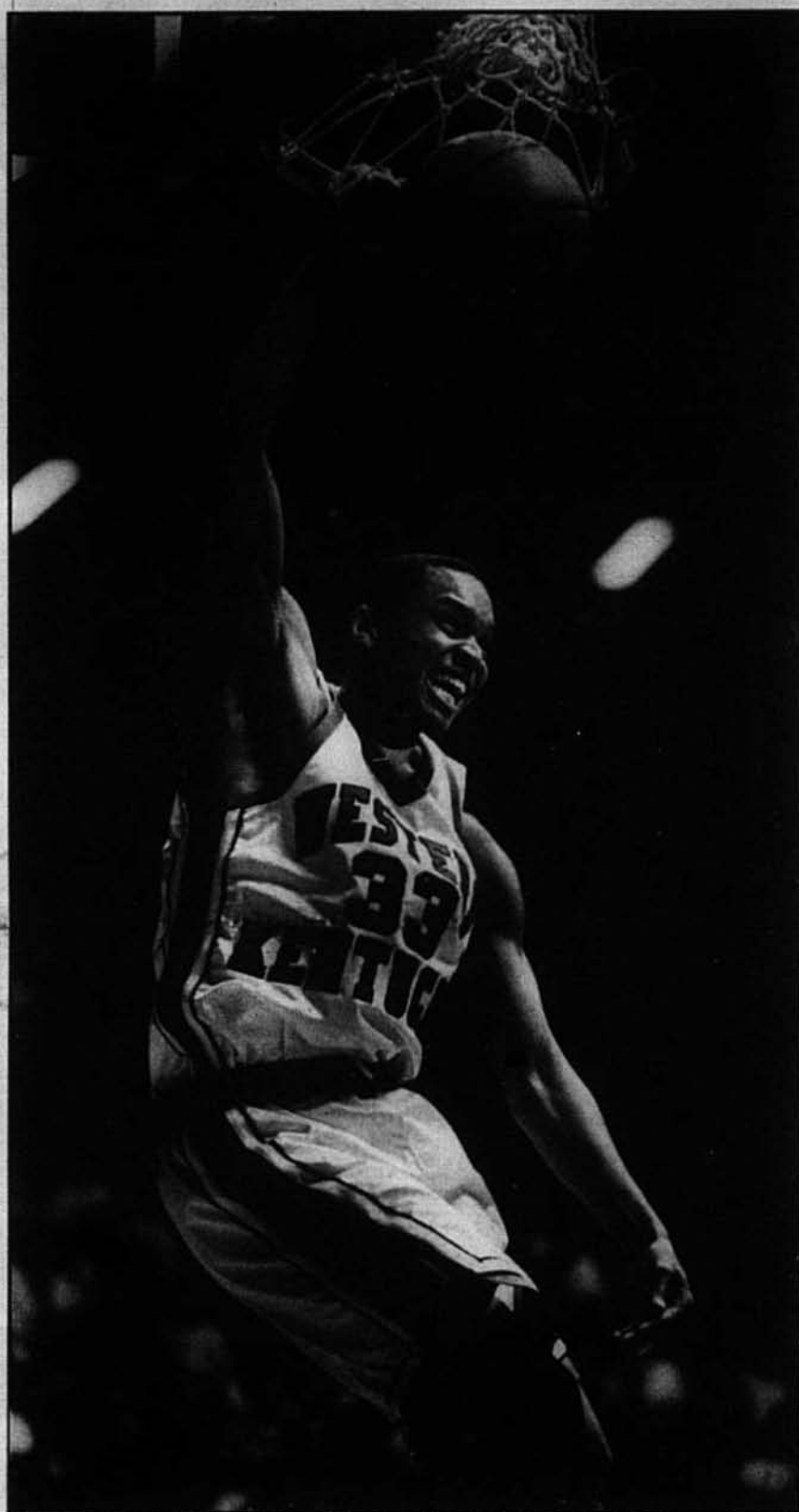
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After being suspended for one game, Hilltopper forward Chris Robinson scored 23 points last night against Arkansas State.

RIGHT ON TRACK

REVITALIZED: Robinson returns to propel Tops

BY AARON SANDERFORD

After sitting out Western's last game for disciplinary reasons, Chris Robinson dealt out some punishment of his own last night.

The senior forward/guard returned to the Diddle Arena stage and with 23 points served notice to Arkansas State that he was back.

"This weekend is over with, and I just have to do whatever I have to do to better myself as a player and a person," Robinson said. "I felt pretty good, because for once in a lifetime, I was finally on again. It felt pretty good, me stroking the shot and my team playing well together."

Western (9-10, 6-5 in the Sun Belt Conference) beat the Indians 91-64 behind its superstar senior's inspired effort.

"Chris was very active in terms of being all over the court; he had his hands on balls, being a part of the defense and rebounding," Coach Matt Kilcullen said. "That's the Chris Robinson we

need to set the tone for our team."

That tone was set the first five minutes as Robinson scored nine of Western's first 16 points before getting a breather with 14:31 remaining and his team holding an 11 point advantage.

He watched his replacement, sophomore forward Carl Thomas, intercept an errant pass and ball fake en route to a dunk that caused 4,600 fans to erupt and gave Western a 21-8 lead. Thomas finished with nine points, all in the first half.

"In the past, my confidence went down, because I had lost my starting minutes, but I kept it in there and said 'what the hell, I gotta step up,'" Thomas said. "I keep the same enthusiasm that I have in practice, and I tried to bring it on the court tonight."

The Hilltoppers pushed the lead to 16, but Indian forward Damon Nicholas keyed a run that cut the deficit to nine with

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WARRIOR: Lovan's work ethic is 'second to none'

BY AARON SANDERFORD

As a quiet warrior in a sport that glorifies trash-talking, Topper forward Tony Lovan's businesslike attitude is rare.

"He just gets the job done," Coach Matt Kilcullen said of Lovan. "He lets his actions speak for themselves."

"It looks like he hasn't done anything, and then you turn around and he has 12 points and 10 rebounds. His work ethic is second to none."

The junior transfer from St. Catharine's Junior College near Bardonia attributed his style to maturity.

"A lot of teams come out and talk a lot of noise on the court, but I feel no matter how much you talk, whatever's done when the game is over with, says everything," Lovan said.

But he has not always held

that belief.

"I used to talk all kind of noise in high school and juco, but I just stopped," he said.

His primary contribution to the Hilltoppers (9-10) this season has been his rebounding.

"He's a warrior," Kilcullen said. "If you looked up the word warrior in the dictionary you'd see his picture."

Lovan had a career high 23 points in addition to four rebounds in Thursday's loss at New Orleans.

On Saturday, he got his fourth double-double of the season against Jacksonville with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Last night he added 15 points and eight boards.

An inconsistent start for the Hilltoppers helped solidify Lovan's spot in the lineup, in which his 32 minutes per game

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Lady Tops put handle on Pan American with 88-50 win

BY STEPHEN LEGA

When the horn sounded to indicate the start of the second half, Texas-Pan American had to get some help from the officials to get back on the court.

"It took us a little longer to discuss a couple of things," Texas-Pan Am coach Cletus Green said. "Your first full year in the league, you want your girls to play with a little bit of vim and vinegar. So we were trying to

stir a little bit of that up."

When the final buzzer sounded in Diddle Arena last night, Western toppled Texas-Pan Am 88-50.

"Tonight we played really loose," Western coach Paul Sanderford said. "The kids were having fun."

Once again, senior guard Dawn Warner paced the Lady Topper attack with 19 points and five assists.

Warner moved into third

place on the all-time assists and three-point lists with her outing against the Lady Broncs (8-11, 1-6 in the Sun Belt Conference).

Warner now has 399 assists in her career, one more than former Lady Topper Kelly Smith (1987-91).

Warner claimed sole possession of third place on the career list with her 124th and 125th three-pointers. That gave her two more than Veronica Cook (1992-95).

"Dawn looked very, very good tonight," Sanderford said. "Her confidence and leadership were very evident."

Western (12-8, 7-1) got strong play inside from freshman forward Shea Lunsford and junior center Tarshia Bronner.

"We worked it real hard in the post," Lunsford said. "We had a real good high-low game going. When she'd (Bronner) get up top, she'd be looking at me down low."

The 6-2 Lunsford added 14 points, six steals and four assists.

Bronner also scored 14 points, a career-high. She scored 12 of those in the first half.

"The other day someone said that we weren't too good in the post, that we didn't post very hard," Bronner said. "I know it got to me. I always try to accept a challenge."

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LOVAN: 'I have a good instinct for the ball'

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average is second only to senior guard/forward Chris Robinson's 34 minutes per game.

"Coach (Kilcullen) has a lot of confidence in me, and I play a lot of minutes because of my consistency," he said. "I feel like as long as I keep that up, I'll keep playing."

Western's leading rebounder grabs more than 8.6 per game.

He is tied with Arkansas-Little Rock's forward Muntrelle Dobbins for second in the Sun Belt Conference rebounding race behind Jacksonville's Artemus McClary, who averages 10.4 per game.

"Whenever that ball is shot, my eyes light up and I feel like if I didn't shoot the ball, I still have a chance to score," he said. "On defense, I just want to do anything it takes to keep my man from getting the ball."

His thought process changes once the ball begins rolling off the rim.

"I'm thinking, 'I gotta get my hands on that ball somehow.' I think every time a shot is missed, I feel like I've got a chance to get the rebound," he said.

"I have a real good instinct for the ball when it comes off the rim, but a lot of times, it's just being at the right place at the right time."

Lovan is also an offensive threat. His 12.4 points per game is fourth on the team.

"I feel like I can score whenever I touch the ball, no matter where I have it at, and if I don't have an open shot, I feel like I can find a teammate who does," he said.

Reading defenders is part of his attack.

"I just look at him and I can tell," he said. "I can look at a person's face and tell if they don't really want to play defense, or sometimes there will be fear in their eyes if they don't think they can guard me."

Pregame preparations make the cerebral Lovan a better defender.

"I think about what I have to do out on the court, who I've got to guard, what moves they like to make, what offense we're going to be in and what defense Coach wants us to play," he said.

"I'm watching my man to see what he does, if he sets picks or whatever, I get a feel for what the whole team does, because we change our defense up a lot."

The Christian County High School graduate uses his quickness to frustrate opposing offensive players.

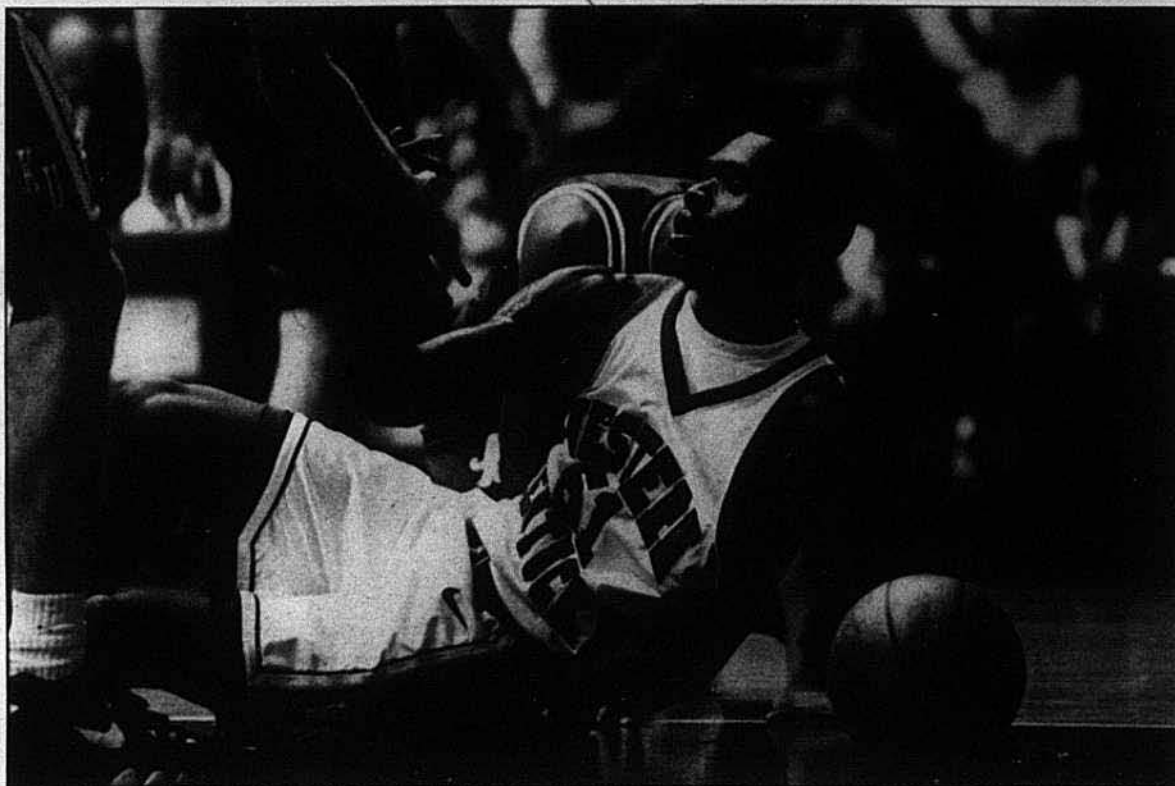
"When I'm guarding my man, the coaches have told us what their favorite moves are, and I'm just trying to stop him from making his favorite move," he said.

"Whether it's two dribbles and pull up or go to the middle, I try to make him do the opposite of what he wants to do."

The Crofton native credits his success to a close-knit family.

"My parents help me out a lot, to stay focused and give me encouragement whenever I'm down," Lovan said.

"They told me whether it was basketball or anything else, always do it to the best of my abilities, and that's what I try to do."



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Topper Tony Lovan said his first instinct when the ball hits the ground is to dive. The junior forward said he hopes it will inspire his teammates to do the same.

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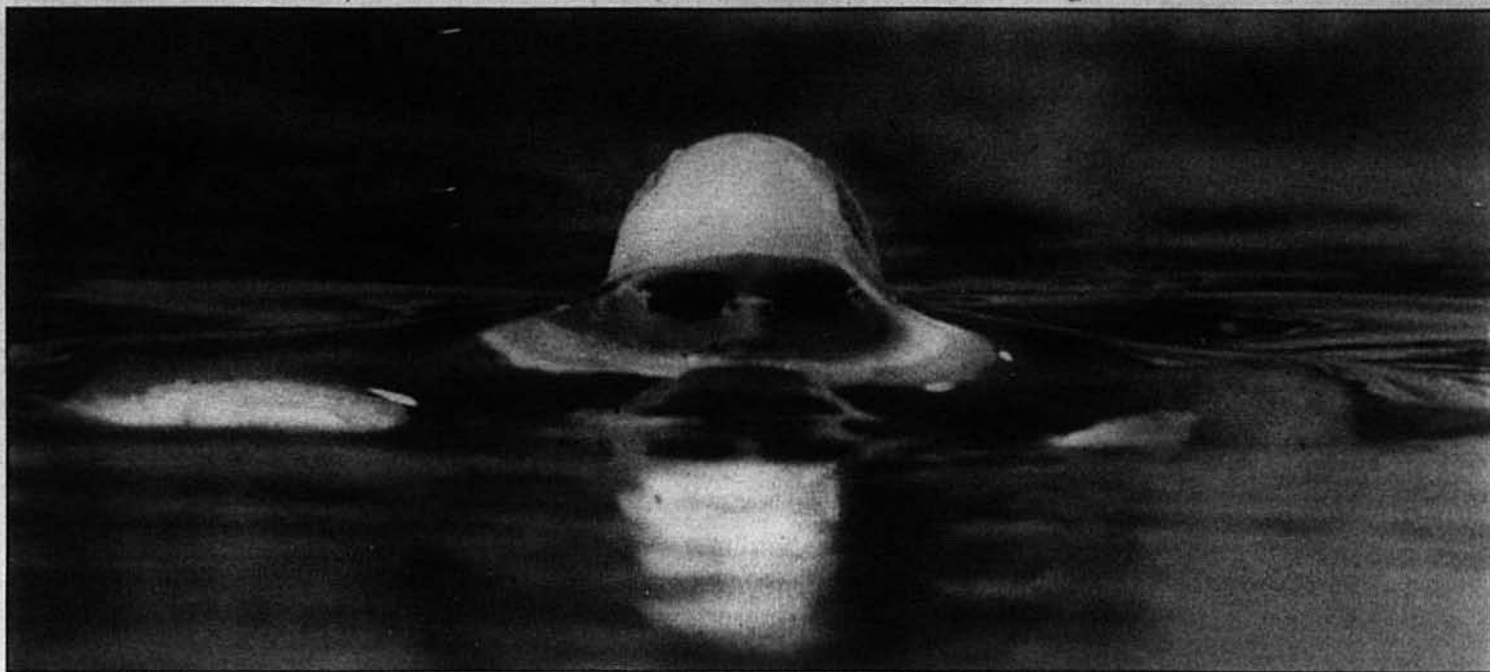
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Versailles freshman Pete Carey breaks the surface of the water during the 200-yard breaststroke in this weekend's meet against Xavier. Carey won the event.

SWIMMERS: Western splashes past Xavier

BY MIKE FINCH

After mistiming a dive in Saturday's meet, freshman diver Matt Atkinson's face looked like Xavier's team — bruised and bloodied.

Atkinson suffered a bloody nose and swollen face after attempting a back 2 1/2 dive off the three-meter board. Atkinson over-turned, hitting the water face first.

"He crammed his contacts up his eyes," Western diving coach Gerrie Fowble said. "He may have a black eye but other than that he's OK."

Atkinson isn't expected to miss any practice time or meets.

Western (12-1) swam to a 120-115 victory over Xavier of Ohio (6-13).

The Hilltoppers led the Musketeers 72-33 after five events.

"The meet wasn't as close as the final score," sophomore Brian Howard said. "We took command early and had fun through the rest of the meet."

Western soon called off the dogs, Coach Bill Powell said.

"I'm really proud of the intensity the guys showed today," he said. "We haven't had a great meet since before Christmas. It's hard to be intense when you are beating teams by 60 points."

Powell said he was impressed with his team's desire in Saturday's meet.

"It takes self discipline to get up for meets against teams who aren't on our level," Powell said. "Our guys really attacked them and then showed they could also have fun."

Saturday's meet was also significant because it was Parent's Day. Hilltopper moms and dads were encouraged to attend, and the swimmers gave their mothers roses.

Western was paced by junior

Scott Cummins two first-place finishes in the 500- and 1,000-yard freestyle events. Freshman Pete Carey placed first in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke, while junior Sean O'Shea finished first in the 200-yard freestyle.

Freshman Travis Mandigo delivered a first-place finish in the 200-yard butterfly, and senior Josh Lam notched a second-place and career-best 54.08 seconds in the 100-yard butterfly.

"I'm really impressed with Lam's performance," Powell said. "He's improving with every meet and has become a factor on our team."

Western's divers dove against themselves because Xavier did not enter a team. Coach Gerrie Fowble said the practice in front of a crowd was good for them.

Freshman Rich Fowble placed first in the one-meter dive and freshman Joe Hutchinson finished first in the three-meter dive.

"They did really well today," Gerrie Fowble said. "Without (competition) pressure they were really relaxed."

Gerrie Fowble said she was impressed with Hutchinson's performance.

"Joe really dove well today," she said. "He's trying to compete for a spot in the (National Independent) conference championships. He's really stepping up."

The Hilltoppers have two meets left to prepare for the National Independent Championships.

"We're just coming through this transition stage," junior Brandon Ungtheim said. "Our times will get faster these next couple of weeks so we'll have a good idea of how we'll perform in the championships."

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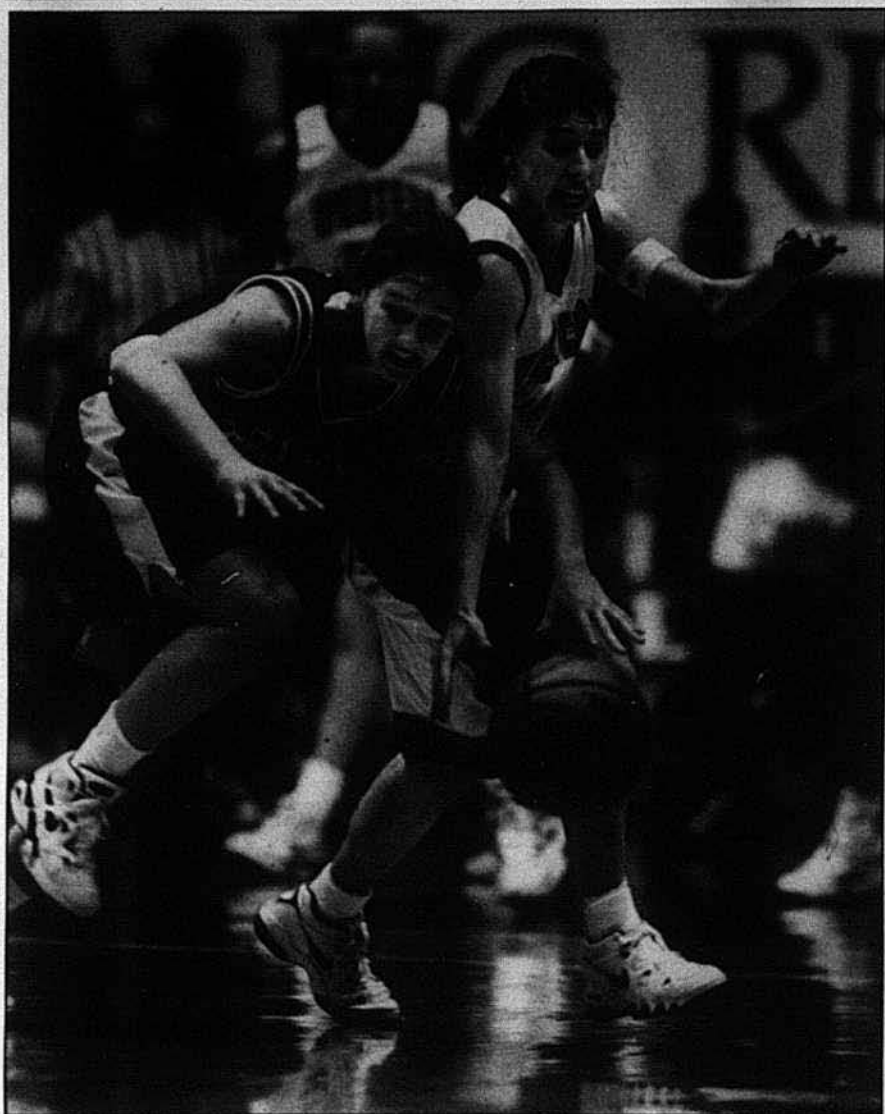
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During the second half of Western's victory over Texas Pan-American, Lady Broncos' freshman guard Susan Young fights with Western senior guard Dawn Warner for a loose ball.

LADY TOPS: Size, balance keys

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Green said Western's inside players created a problem for the Lady Broncos.

"Their size hurt us," he said. "Our big girl doesn't help us when she goes in there either."

Texas-Pan Am's tallest player, 6-3 sophomore forward Michelle Hinton, had six points and three rebounds off the bench.

Western used a balanced attack to out-rebound the Lady Broncos 44-27.

Eight players had four or more rebounds.

Sophomore forward Sha'Ronda Allen led the Lady Toppers with six boards.

"Our kids played with quite a bit of intensity."

— Paul Sanderford
Lady Topper coach

"Our kids played with quite a bit of intensity," Sanderford said.

Texas-Pan Am freshman forward Susan Young, who led her team with 17 points, said

Western's defense affected them.

"Their press did a good job on our guards up top," she said. "We had a lot of communication problems early."

With 15:06 remaining in the first half, the game was tied at 11. By the 9:35 mark, Western had opened up a 33-17 lead.

Green said things might be different when his team starts getting the support that Western receives from the administration.

"We may not win, but we'll play a competitive basketball game," he said.

"Once my shot gets going, I want the ball," Warner said.

Arkansas State (11-8, 4-3 in the Sun Belt) did have a chance to tie the game at the end, however.

Following two free throws by Warner, Western held an 82-79 advantage with five seconds remaining.

Arkansas State junior guard Tim Kemp drew a foul and went to the line for one and the bonus.

Kemp hit the first one, making the score 82-80.

She then missed the second free throw intentionally and got her own rebound, but came up short on a desperate field goal attempt.

Lady Indians coach Jeff Mittie was pleased with his team's effort.

"It's hard to miss it, hit the rim

and the whole thing," he said.

Sanderford said he would send a video of the final play to the Sun Belt officials. He said some Lady Toppers were pushed on the final play and the referees didn't do anything.

"They swallowed the whistle down the stretch," he said.

Arkansas State was without their biggest offensive threat on that final play.

Senior guard Danielle Featherston fouled out of the game with 1:12 remaining. She led the Lady Indians with 25 points, including five three-pointers.

Featherston said they stepped up their play at the end.

"We played our hearts out," she said. "I don't know if we could have played a better game."

Warner leads women to 82-80 win

By: STEPHEN LEGA

In a game that Coach Paul Sanderford called a knee-knocker, senior guard Dawn Warner's hands were as steady as a surgeon's.

"She's like this iron woman, or something," freshman guard Heather Mayes said. "She's so steady under pressure."

For the last 7:41, Warner was on fire, leading Western to a 82-80 win over Arkansas State in Diddle Arena on Saturday.

Warner scored 15 of the Lady Topper's last 19 points. She was three of four from the field and seven of eight from the charity stripe in that time.

The only other Lady Toppers who scored in that stretch were junior center Tarshia Bronner and sophomore guard Laurie Townsend.

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ROBINSON: Toppers capture Indians, 91-64

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8:50 remaining.

Robinson and Thomas then closed the half by scoring 11 of Western's last 23 points in a 23-14 spurt that left the Toppers up 52-35.

The second half was more of the same for Arkansas State (7-12, 5-6) as Robinson stole an inbounds pass and added a quick post bucket after another Indian turnover.

Western senior guard Michael Frallex scored five points in a one-minute span to push the advantage to 22 with 17:20 to play, and helped maintain a 20-point lead with a three pointer from the right elbow four minutes later. Despite 3-of-8 shooting, Frallex ended with 15 points.

The Indians then went on a 6-2 run to cut the Western edge to 14 behind reserve guard Edgar Perkins, who had four of the six points during the stretch, but Arkansas State would get no closer.

Freshman forward Melvin Adams reaped the biggest rewards from a foul-fest in the final 10 minutes. He had 11 of his career-best 13 points in those minutes.

"I'm just feeling more confident now," Adams said. "There's no more freshman stuff. We just gotta go out and play."

Freshman center Rylon Farris had a career-best eight points and eight boards in his second start. Western set its season high in free-throw attempts and makes, connecting on 30 of 35 tries.

With 3:34 to play, Robinson was taken out to a host of cheers from the fans and his teammates. Then he got a firm handshake from Kilcullen, who leaned to say a few words.

"He said just to keep up the hard work and that he was proud of me," Robinson said. "That really meant a lot to me at the time."

The Hilltopper faithful turned their attention to 6-10, 300-lb. center Rob Marchant. Each time he touched the ball, the cries of "shoot" rang out

from the crowd.

Finally, with 2:24 to go, Marchant posted up in the lane and after some contact nailed the shot amid a whistle. Marchant was called for an offensive foul, his fifth, and was forced to sit.

As he approached the bench visibly frustrated, the fans treated him to a standing ovation.

Senior forward Pop Thornton got his cast off yesterday from the partial tear of the ulnar collateral ligament in his right thumb. Thornton dressed for the game, but team trainer Eric Oliver said he was only at 80 percent.

"I'm going to see how I practice these next two days and determine if I'm gonna play on Thursday," Thornton said.

The Hilltoppers lost two Sun Belt road games last week despite trailing for just 20 seconds total in either first half.

Against conference leader New Orleans (12-7, 8-3), forward Tony Lovan lit up Lakefront Arena with an 8-of-9 first half shooting performance, but the Hilltoppers took only a one point advantage to the break. Lovan finished the game with a career-best 23 points.

Frallex finished with 15 points, but New Orleans forward Lewis Sims' 15 second-half points proved too much for the Thornton-less Hilltoppers, as they lost 90-82.

Robinson had just two points on 1-of-9 shooting against the Privateers, but due to an unspecified team rules violation, he sat the bench during Western's rematch with Jacksonville (10-8, 6-4) on Saturday.

Without Thornton and Robinson, the Hilltoppers jumped out to a 10-point lead behind the three-point shooting of Frallex and freshman guard Rob Williams.

A 22-3 spurt left Western down 18, and they would get no closer than the final score, 92-78.

The Toppers were led by Frallex's 21 points and 11 rebounds.

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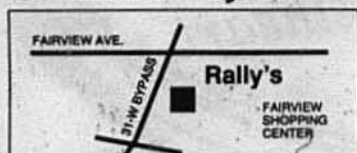
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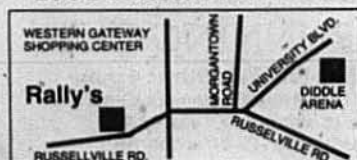


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